1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4.	L.P.Q. Hospital, Purenchri	R	Cgt	Gen	13	9	NA	22
5.	B.S. Hosp., Biramitrapur	U	Cgt	Gen	19	19	NA	38
6.	OPD Hosp. Langiberena	R	Cgt	Gen	3	3	NA	6
7.	Tisco Hosp. Hatibari	R	Cgt.	Gen	NA	NA	NA	10
	Distt. Total :	Hosp = 7		Beds =	92	89	NA	191
	State Total :	Hosp = 12		Beds	257	184	30	489

Kala Azar disease

1805. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the insecticide spraying has failed to control the Kala Azar disease; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether resistance to DDT has developed in Kala Azar affected areas, if so, what alternatives are being tried out;

(c) whether the use of insecticides has caused health problems and environmental pollution; and

(d) if so, the remedial action being taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) No. Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) There is no conclusive evidence that the use of insecticides under Public Health Programme has caused any health problems and environmental pollution, though it is known that DDT, not being bio-degradeable subsists in water, soil and human/animal tissues over long periods when used in agricultural operations.

(d) Does not arise.

Privatisation of medical and health Services

1806. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Miniter of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the rampant increase in privatatisation in medical and health services;

(b) whether any studies to assess the extent of privatisation have been conducted, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether any regulatory/monitoring mechanism exists to check the quality and prevent exploitation through medical and health services, and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). A recent study conducted by the National Council of

Applied Economic Research has revealed that about 50-55 per cent of diseace care are treated by private practioners.

(c) Under Delhi Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1953 and Rules framed thertunder, nursing homes are required to maintain certain laid down standards in respects of space facilities, drugs and medicines and para—medical staff etc. Delhi Administration propose to amend the Delhi Nursing Homes Rules, 1966 to, *inter alia, provide for display of list* of charges levied by the private Nursing Homes for various services offered by them.

Blood Banks in the country

1807. SHRI M. M. HASHIM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to improve and standardise the working of blood banks all over the country;

(b) whether any financial assistance would be offered to various States in this regard; and

(c) whether in view of the alarming reports of infected blood being distributed, what emergency measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Government of India is implementing a Scheme for prevention of infection and strengthening of blood banks in the country. All the Government managed blood banks are being modernised in a phased manner.

(b) Funds have already been released to various State/UT Governments for modernising 138 blood banks and also for HIV testing facilities.

(c) for ensuring blood safety, 128 zonal blood testing centres have been established in State capitals and major cities with linkages to blood banks. 52 more zonal blood testing centres are being established. Rapid Testing Facilities for smaller blood banks at District level will be provided. Training of all Medical and Para Medical personal working in Blood Banks is also being taken up.

Hospital Consultancy Services Corporation

1808. SHRI M. M. HASHIM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the role and functions of the Hospital Consultancy Services Corporation; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to scrap the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The role of Hospital Consultancy Services Corporation is to provide consultancy for Hospital and Health Care Projects within the country and in other developing countries. Its main functions are:—

1. To carry feasibility studies and prepare project report;
2. To prepare architectural designs and undertake construction of and supply equipment to the hospitals in turn-key basis;
3. To provide medical as well as para medical manpower and training facilities;
4. To advise on organisational set up and management system and to assess man power requirements of the institutions over a period of time;
5. To foster and maintain close liaison and cooperation with various National, International